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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )

Comer et al. )

Serial No.: 09/699,312 )

Filing Date: October 27, 2000 )

Title: Interconnect System and Method for  
Multiple Protocol Short Message Services )

Art Unit: 2683

Examiner: K. Ferguson

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**REQUEST TO ENTER PREVIOUSLY TRANSMITTED AMENDMENT  
AND RESPONSE TO FIRST OFFICIAL ACTION OF OCTOBER 24, 2003  
WHICH WAS RECEIVED BY THE PATENT OFFICE AND NOT MATCHED  
WITH THE APPLICATION FILE**

Commissioner for Patents  
P. O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the attached Amendment and Response to First Official Action that was transmitted by first class mail to the Patent Office on October 24, 2003. The Applicants are also enclosing a copy of the postcard receipt ("Exhibit A") that evidences the timely submission of this Amendment and Response to First Official Action.

The Applicants verify and attest that the aforementioned documents were timely filed on October 24, 2003.

**STATEMENT OF FACTS**

The Applicants respectfully submit that the attached Amendment and Response to First Official Action was timely filed on October 24, 2003 as evidenced by the copy of the postcard receipt illustrating the date stamp of October 28, 2003 by the OIPE office.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being facsimile transmitted to the Commissioner for Patents, P. O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, Attention: Examiner Keith Ferguson, Facsimile No. (703) 746-5905, and being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on January 7, 2004.

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The Applicants respectfully submit that the undersigned was contacted by Examiner Ferguson on January 6, 2004 and informed that the Amendment and Response to First Official Action was not in the file.

**PERSONAL KNOWLEDGE AND ATTESTING STATEMENT**

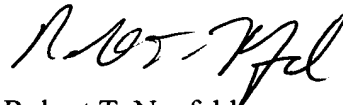
The undersigned attests on personal knowledge that the attached Amendment and Response to First Official Action was in fact transmitted to the Patent Office as evidenced by the postcard receipt ("Exhibit A"). If the Office requires additional evidence of this previous and timely transmission, the Applicants respectfully request the Examiner or appropriate official to contact the undersigned by telephone.

**REQUEST FOR ENTRY OF PREVIOUSLY SUBMITTED  
AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FIRST OFFICIAL ACTION  
NOT MATCHED WITH APPLICATION**

The Applicants respectfully request that the attached Amendment and Response to First Official Action, and corresponding references be formally entered into the present application and that the Examiner consider this evidence that the Amendment and Response to First Official Action was timely filed on October 24, 2003.

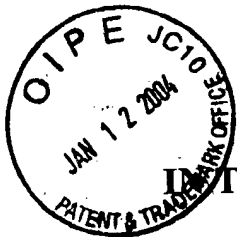
Entry of the attached Amendment and Response to First Official Action are respectfully requested. If any other issues remaining in this application may be resolved by a telephone conference, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the following number in the Atlanta metropolitan area: (404) 572-3509.

Respectfully submitted,



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Transmitted herewith are papers in the above-identified application.

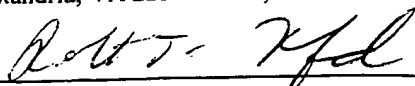
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- ☐ Preliminary Amendment.  
☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27 has been established by a verified statement.  
☐ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. §1.9 and §1.27 is enclosed.  
☐ No additional fee is required.  
☒ The additional fee is calculated as shown below:

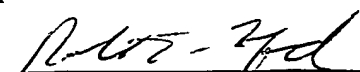
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- ☐ A check in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_ is attached.  
☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees required under 37 CFR §1.16, or credit any overpayment to Account No. 11-0980. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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